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June 9, 2017

UCAB Quality of Life Committee Meeting

Monday, June 12 7:00pm

**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

Topic: "Best Practices – How Does Montgomery County Measure Up?"

Guest: David Gottesman, Director of the County Executive's CountyStat Office

All board and committee meetings are open to the public!

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.



*The Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board
cordially invites you to their*

***Annual Meeting
and
Reception***

***Monday, June 19, 2017
Seven o'clock in the evening
at the***

***BlackRock Center for the Arts
12901 Town Commons Drive
Germantown Maryland 20874***

light refreshments

***Please R.S.V.P. by June 16, 2017
240-777-8048 or
linda.cooper@montgomerycountymd.gov***

***Special accommodations made
upon request with 72 hours advanced notice.***

**Lane closures on Rockville Pike in Bethesda at NIH/Walter Reed:
10:00 PM Friday, June 9 through 5:00 AM Monday, June 12, 2017**

The Montgomery County Dept. of Transportation will close TWO SOUTHBOUND LEFT LANES and ONE NORTHBOUND LEFT LANE of Rockville Pike (MD 355) between Woodmont Avenue and Center Drive, near the Medical Center Metro Station, NIH, and the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center at Naval Support Activity Bethesda.

Weather permitting, these two southbound lanes and one northbound lane will be closed starting at 10:00 PM on Friday June 9 through 5:00 AM on Monday June 12, 2017.

These lane closures are part of the ongoing construction of the Crossing Project at the Medical Center Metro Station, which will establish a shallow pedestrian underpass between NIH and Walter Reed, and deep elevators on the Navy side of MD 355 to the Metrorail mezzanine. Construction of the Crossing Project is anticipated through mid-2021.

The area of Rockville Pike near the Medical Center Metro Station, NIH and Walter Reed is a construction zone. Please pay attention to all signs, and drive, walk or bike carefully through the area.

No Metrorail Service Will be Provided June 17 to 25 Between Shady Grove and Twinbrook During Metro's SafeTrack Surge #16: Affected Red Line Passengers are Urged to Seek Alternatives

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) last SafeTrack surge -- #16 -- will completely close the Shady Grove and Rockville Red Line stations from Saturday, June 17 through Sunday, June 25. Metro will be providing shuttle bus service from the Shady Grove and Rockville stations, but is urging commuters to avoid the stations if possible, particularly during weekday, peak travel hours and consider telecommuting, ride sharing and other alternatives. Travelers are also encouraged to consider using the Brunswick Line MARC Train from Metropolitan Grove or starting their Metrorail trip at Twinbrook, White Flint, Glenmont or Wheaton stations. Red Line trains will operate near normal service between Twinbrook and Glenmont every eight minutes (normally every six minutes). Additional Red Line trains will operate between Grosvenor and Silver Spring every four minutes (normally every three minutes). However, commuters are advised to allow additional time to travel to their destinations.

See press release for details

[No Metrorail Service Will be Provided June 17 to 25 Between Shady Grove and Twinbrook During Metro's SafeTrack Surge #16](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21166)

**Summer Read and Learn Program to be Held at Montgomery County Public Libraries
Beginning June 10**

Read more at http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21166

**Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland Holds First of Series of Town Halls
Saturday, June 10 10:00am-2:00pm
Burtonsville Elementary School
15516 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville**

The [Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21166) (LBCM) is taking the show on the road. The LBCM will be hosting a series of town halls around the State to hear from citizens and everyone is invited.

Citizen Advisory Boards to Host Capital Improvements Program Budget Forums in June/July

Individuals and groups are invited to provide input into the County's next six-year capital construction budget by attending public forums that will be held in June/July by local citizen advisory boards. The forums will help define construction and planning priorities for the various regions in the County as officials develop the Fiscal Years 2019 to 2024 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) budget. The following links provide more information.

Master List of CIP projects: <https://reports.data.montgomerycountymd.gov/cip>

Open Budget (Montgomery County's highly interactive open data budget websites covering departments, agencies, projects and much more): <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/omb/openbudget.html>.

Office of Management and Budget Publications: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/omb/publications.html>;

The CIP includes costs for new or renovated major projects such as roads; public schools and Montgomery College facilities; water and sewer lines; parks, libraries, health and recreation facilities; and other public buildings and projects.

The schedule for forums in each regional area is listed below:

- Bethesda-Chevy Chase - Monday, June 19, 7:00 pm – Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center, 4805 Edgemoor Lane, Bethesda, 240-777-8200;
- Eastern County – Wednesday, June 21, 7:00 pm – Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center, 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring, 240-777-8414;
- Silver Spring - Monday, June 26, 7:00 pm – Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Place, Silver Spring, 240-777-5307;
- Upcounty – Wednesday, June 28, 7:00 pm – BlackRock Center for the Arts, 12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown, 240-777-8040;
- Mid-County – Monday, July 10, 7:00 pm – Mid-County Community Recreation Center, 2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring, 240-777-8101 or 240-777-6820.

Suggestions and comments from participants will be considered by the regional citizen advisory boards for inclusion in the funding priority lists they submit to the County Executive. The lists will also be shared with County departments and agencies for their consideration as they formulate the CIP for their departments.

Montgomery Councilmember Craig Rice announces 2017 'Councilmember for a Day' Challenge for Students

Seeking to empower young people to become more involved with public policy and government. For details, visit http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21155

Deadline to enter contest is Thursday, June 15!

Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week



Volunteers kicked off [Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week](#) by painting stormwater drains at the [Germantown Library](#). The art work is an attractive reminder of the importance of keeping harmful pollutants out of the stormwater drains. See [press release](#).

PUBLIC MEETING: Energized Public Spaces Functional Master Plan

Thursday, June 15

M-NCPPC Montgomery Regional Office (MRO)

8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD

The time of the presentation will be determined closer to the date and posted on the Planning Board agenda at MontgomeryPlanningBoard.org.

The public is invited to attend a presentation of the Working Draft of the *Energized Public Spaces Functional Master Plan* (EPS FMP) at a Montgomery Planning Board meeting on June 15. The Energized Public Spaces Functional Master Plan is an innovative and creative countywide park plan for stronger, healthier and happier communities. The goal is to locate and prioritize how to fill gaps in the outdoor public spaces system in the county's area of highest populations. These outdoor spaces will encourage people of all ages and incomes to meet, play, relax, exercise and enjoy nature and more in the County's areas of highest population. **A Public Hearing will follow in July.**

The public is encouraged to submit input online or contact the Project Manager, Cristina Sasaki, at Cristina.Sasaki@montgomeryparks.org, (301) 650-4382, or by U.S. mail at M-NCPPC Montgomery Parks, 9500 Brunett Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Additional information about the program, schedules and how to contribute is available at MontgomeryParks.org.

Montgomery Parks, part of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, encourages and supports the participation of individuals with disabilities. Please contact the Program Access Office to request disability accommodations.

Juneteenth Celebration

Friday, June 16 Doors open at 6:00pm

BlackRock Center for the Arts

12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown

Bring your family to an evening jam-packed with entertainment, inspiration, education and good food! Join us as we celebrate the commemoration of the events of June 19, 1865 – the day Union Major General Gordon Granger officially declared that the institution of slavery was dead. His announcement came after the official issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln. [See flyer for details](#). Hold your space, [Register Now!](#)

Public Hearing: Changes in Regulations for Certain Public Swimming Pools

Tuesday, June 20 1:30pm

Council Office Building, Third Floor Hearing Room

100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville

The Montgomery County Council will hold a public hearing on Expedited Bill 16-17 that would exempt certain public pools at certain facilities from the requirement to have a lifeguard on duty when the pool is open for use. The bill also would require exempted public pools to meet certain criteria, including posting certain warning signs, and would require exempted pools to have an emergency alert system. The bill generally would amend County law relating to swimming pools. Call 240-777-7910 to obtain copies of the bill or go to <http://tinyurl.com/y8s2azo5>.

The meeting will be televised live by County Cable Montgomery (CCM) on Cable Channels 996 (high definition) and 6 (standard definition) on Comcast; Channels 1056 (HD) and 6 (SD) on RCN; and Channel 30 on Verizon. It also will be available live via streaming through the Council web site at <http://tinyurl.com/z9982v8> **Those interested in testifying at the public hearings can sign up online at <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/phsignup.html> or by calling 240-777-7803. The deadline to sign up is 5:00pm on Monday, June 19.**

Road/Bridge Work . . .

Piney Meetinghouse Road Bridge Replacement – This project involves replacing the existing Piney Meetinghouse Road Bridge over Watts Branch, and is located approximately 2,600 feet north of the intersection of River Road and Piney Meetinghouse Road. The road closure will occur, weather permitting, on or about June 16 and will reopen on or about September 1 which is the 2017 summer break for Montgomery County Public Schools. A detour will be established for traffic. In addition, 210 feet of approach roadway including 258 lineal feet of circular underdrains will be constructed, and stream rehabilitation will be a part of the work. Construction will take place Monday through Friday between 7am and 5pm. Occasional Saturday work may be necessary to make up for weather delays. The County will work to minimize any disruptions. For details, visit MC Department of Transportation/Highway Services at <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-highway/index.html>

'Montgomery Arts Infusion' debuts as cable show and web site focusing on arts and entertainment

Collaborate effort of County's PEG stations has web site with most complete listings of upcoming events

Montgomery Arts Infusion (MAI), a monthly 15-minute show focusing on the arts and entertainment of Montgomery County—with in-depth stories of the people behind the arts—is now on the cable stations that compose the County's PEG (Public/Education/Government). In conjunction with the only broadcast show of its kind for Montgomery County, the new MAI web site launched today contains the most complete list anywhere of upcoming events throughout the County.

MAI is a collaborate effort of the County's PEG network that includes County Cable Montgomery (CCM—County Government); MCM (Montgomery Community Media—public access); MCTV (Montgomery College); MCPS TV (Montgomery County Public Schools); Rockville 11 (the City of Rockville) and Takoma Park TV (the City of Takoma Park). CCM and MCM are leading the project.

Michael Bobbitt, who is known throughout the Washington region as an outstanding director, choreographer and performer—and who is now the artistic director of Adventure Theatre MTC—is the host of MAI.

For more information, visit http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21146

see you at
BlackRock Center for the Arts
12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown
www.blackrockcenter.org

Free Community Art Day: Watercolor
Saturday, June 17 10:00am-1:00pm
Free! All ages welcome!

Drop by next Saturday and enjoy hands-on art making activities using water-based media, watercolor painting demonstrations and interactive gallery tours of both exhibitions in the Kay and Terrace Galleries this weekend.

also . . .



2017 MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL WATERCOLOR EXHIBITION
 THE KAY GALLERY | JUN 17 - JUL 15 | FREE
 RECEPTION AND AWARDS | SUN, JUN 25 | 2 - 4 PM | FREE

ALSO...FREE!
 COMMUNITY ART DAY
WATERCOLOR
 JUNE 17
 10 AM - 1 PM



DAVID R. DANIELS: BEYOND LIMITS
 THE TERRACE GALLERY | JUN 17 - JUL 15 | FREE
 RECEPTION | SUN, JUN 25 | 2 - 4 PM | FREE

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 DEADLINE IS
 JUNE 13!

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For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>